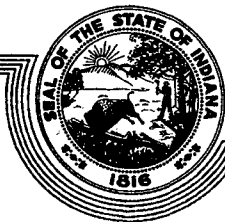


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CAUSE NO. 42658

PETITION OF NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC)
SERVICE CO. FOR APPROVAL OF A)
PURCHASED POWER AND TRANSMISSION)
TRACKER MECHANISM TO TRACK THE)
COSTS OF PURCHASED POWER TO MEET)
PETITIONER'S RETAIL ELECTRIC LOAN)
REQUIREMENTS AND CHARGES IMPOSED)
ON PETITIONER BY MIDWEST INDEPENDENT)
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM OPERATOR, INC.)
AND GRIDAMERICA LLC.)

You are hereby notified that on this date the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") caused the following entry to be made in this Cause:

On September 28, 2005, Petitioner, Northern Indiana Public Service company ("NIPSCO") filed its *Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time* in the above-captioned Cause. In its Motion, NIPSCO requests an extension of time to file its Reply to Intervenor LaPorte County's proposed order.

The Presiding Chief Administrative Law Judge, having reviewed the Motion and being duly advised in the premises, hereby grants the Motion and finds that NIPSCO should file its reply to Intervenor, LaPorte County's proposed order on or before December 15, 2005.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Scott R. Storms, Chief Administrative Law Judge

October 6, 2005

Date